IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of   )
Ulrich Fotheringham et al.   ) Group:
Serial No.   )
Filed:) Examiner:
Title: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR THE   )
        HOMOGENOUS HEATING OF GLASS)
        AND/OR GLASS-CERAMIC ARTICLES)
        USING INFRARED RADIATION   )

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT DELETING MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to calculating the filing fee, please enter the following amendments to the application.

IN THE CLAIMS

In claim 3, line 1, delete "one of claims 1 or 2" and substitute therefor --claim 1--.

In claim 4, line 1, delete "one of claims 1 to 3" and substitute therefor --claim 1--.

In claim 5, line 1, delete "one of claims 1 to 4" and substitute therefor --claim 1--.

In claim 9, line 1, delete "one of claims 8 to 8" and substitute therefor --claim 1--.

In claim 11, line 1, delete "10".

In claim 12, line 1, delete "one of claims 9 to 11" and substitute therefor --claim 9--.

In claim 13, line 1, delete "one of claims 9 to 12" and substitute therefor --claim 9--.

In claim 14, line 1, delete "one of claims 9 to 13" and substitute therefor --claim 9--.

In claim 17, line 1, delete "one of claims 15 to 16" and substitute therefor --claim 15--.

In claim 21, line 1, delete "one of claims 16 to 20" and substitute therefor --claim 16--.

In claim 22, line 1, delete "one of claims 15 to 21" and substitute therefor --claim 15--.

In claim 24, line 1, delete "one of claims 22 to 25" and substitute therefor --claim 22--.

In claim 25, line 1, delete "one of claims 22 to 24" and substitute therefor --claim 22--.

In claim 26, line 1, delete "one of claims 22 to 25" and substitute therefor --claim 22-.

In claim 27, line 1, delete "one of claims 15 to 26" and substitute therefor --claim 15--.

In claim 28, line 1, delete "one of claims 15 to 26" and substitute therefor --claim 15--.

In claim 29, line 1, delete "one of claims 15 to 26" and substitute therefor --claim 15--.

In claim 30, line 1, delete "one of claims 15 to 26" and substitute therefor --claim 15--.

In claim 31, line 1, delete "one of claims 15 to 26" and substitute therefor --claim 15--.

In claim 32, line 1, delete "one of claims 15 to 26" and substitute therefor --claim 15--.

In claim 33, line 1, delete "one of claims 15 to 26" and substitute therefor --claim 15--.

In claim 34, line 1, delete "one of claims 15 to 26" and substitute therefor --claim 15--.

Respectfully submitted,
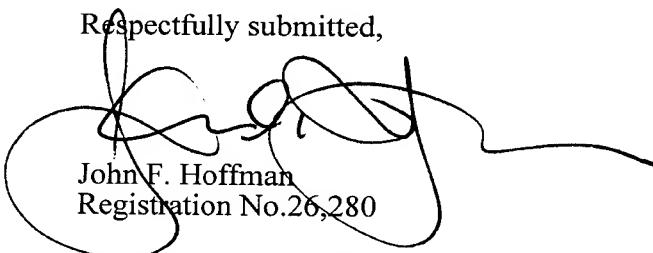
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